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Title

PROCESSES FOR MANUFACTURING PARTICLES COATED

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1. [X] No additional fees (claims fees or extension fees) are known to be required. 2. [] The fee has been calculated as shown below:

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FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM					+ \$290 =	\$
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